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THE AUSTRIAN-CZECHOSLOVAK BOUNDARYViews of the Inter-Divisional Committee
on the Balkan-Danubian Region

The Inter-Divisional Committee on the Balkan-Danubian Region agrees that the 1937 frontier between Austria and Czechoslovakia should be restored (Solution A). The Committee rejects any consideration of retention of the frontiers established as a result of the Munich Agreement of 1938 (Solution C) because it cannot be justified on ethnic grounds and would threaten Czechoslovakia strategically and disrupt its system of railway communications. Likewise, the Committee is of the opinion that cession to Austria of the railway station of Gmünd (Velenice) and the region of Feldsberg (Mikulov), desired in certain Austrian circles, is undesirable because of its injurious effect on Czechoslovak railway communications (Solution B).

Although the Committee favors restoration of the 1937 frontier between Czechoslovakia and Austria, it sees no objection to any mutually satisfactory frontier adjustment which the two parties directly concerned may make.

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